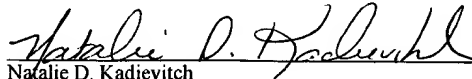


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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

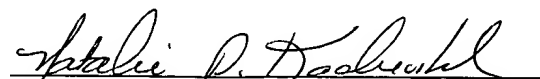
In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Notice to File Missing Parts of Application mailed November 17, 1999, said period of response being extended from January 17, 2000 to February 17, 2000.

Our check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

Respectfully submitted,

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